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TO AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO FOURTH OF JULY MESSAGE TO THE  
PRESIDENT FROM THE SHAH OF IRAN

### 1. FOLLOWING MESSAGE RECEIVED FROM THE SHAH

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES  
OF AMERICA, IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE TO CONVEY TO YOU,  
MR. PRESIDENT, AND THE FRIENDLY AMERICAN PEOPLE MY  
WARMEST CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES.

"I AM FULLY CONVINCED THAT THE VERY CLOSE FRIENDSHIP AND  
FRUITFUL COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES WILL  
CONTINUE TO BE FURTHER STRENGTHENED IN THE YEARS AHEAD  
TO OUR MUTUAL ADVANTAGE AND IN THE INTEREST OF WORLD  
PEACE AND SECURITY.

"I SINCERELY WISH YOU, MR. PRESIDENT, EVERY SUCCESS IN  
ACHIEVING THE NOBLE GOALS WHICH YOU HAVE SET YOURSELF  
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FOR ASSURING THE INCREASING HAPPINESS AND PROSPERITY OF  
THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. WITH KINDEST REGARDS, MOHAMMAD  
REZA PAHLAVI"

2. FOLLOWING RESPONSE FROM PRESIDENT CARTER SHOULD BE  
DELIVERED TO THE SHAH: "HIS IMPERIAL MAJESTY, MOHAMMAD  
REZA PAHLAVI, SHAHANSHAH OF IRAN, TEHRAN, YOUR IMPERIAL

MAJESTY: ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE I WISH TO  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR THOUGHTFUL MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS  
ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF OUR NATION'S INDEPENDENCE. WE  
WARMLY WELCOME YOUR EXPRESSION OF GOODWILL AND FRIENDSHIP  
AND EXTEND TO YOU AND TO THE PEOPLE OF IRAN OUR  
APPRECIATION. SINCERELY, JIMMY CARTER, PRESIDENT OF  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, THE WHITE HOUSE,  
WASHINGTON, D.C."

3. NO RELEASE INTENDED, BUT NO OBJECTION IF RECIPIENT  
WISHES TO DO SO. VANCE

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